(*b*) the number of such cases tried in the other Sessions Courts in the State ?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) 14.

(*b*) *A statement containing the information required is laid on the table.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: Sir, is it not clear from the number of Sessions trials that a Second Court has to be established at Mavelikara ?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: Sir, it has been stated already that the matter is under consideration.

Tobacco Cultivation.

349 *MR. **M. RAMIAH PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil* cum *Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is possible to cultivate tobacco profitably in Travancore and, if so, the tracts that are particularly suited for its cultivation ?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: Yes. In certain parts of Travancore particularly in Nanjanad and the Shencotta taluks.

Inconveniences in Transport Bus Service.

350 * **MR. P. S. MUHAMED:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the number of buses that are plying between Kottarakara and Kottayam is insufficient ;

(*b*) whether the travellers in the buses undergo very great hardship on account of over-crowding in the buses :

(*c*) whether the passengers will have to stand in the buses for hours together on account of over-crowd ; and

(*d*) whether female passengers are also undergoing this ordeal in the buses ?

MR. E. G. SALTER: (*a*)—(*d*) No.

MR. MURUKKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN: Sir, may I know whether Government is aware that there is overcrowding in buses in Quilon-Trivandrum line especially from Chathannur to Quilon and from Quilon to Chathannur ?

MR. E. G. SALTER: Sir, as I have stated in reply to a previous interpellation that whilst there may be some cases of abnormal traffic, the services in operation in all the routes are proportionate to the normal traffic demand bearing in mind that the services are operated regularly.

MR. MURUKKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether the member is aware that there is over-crowding between Quilon and Chathannur ?

MR. E. G. SALTER: Sir, I am not aware of any regular over-crowding in any section of the route.

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